

Please amend the title on page 1, lines 1-2 as follows:

-- AUTO-FOCUS APPARATUS, FOCUS ADJUSTING METHOD, IMAGE
CAPTURING APPARATUS AND IMAGE CAPTURING METHOD <u>UTILIZING AN</u>
EMITTING DEVICE TO FOCUS AN IMAGE --

Please amend the paragraph on page 10, lines 7-15 as follows:

--In this embodiment, the infrared ray emitter 10C employs, as a light emitting element, the LD 19, referred to as an eye safe laser diode, which is highly safe to eyes and oscillates in a 1400nm Oband band of wavelength, and irradiates the laser light L15 with large power exceeding 200mW. The video camera 10, therefore, ensures the safety to the eyes of the user, as well as can extend a measurable distance to 30m, i.e., approximately three times the conventional light emitting diode which is measurable up to approximately 10m with power of 20mW, by way of example. --

Please amend the paragraph on page 14, lines 16-23 as follows:

--For example, in Fig. 5, when the video camera 10 changes the emitting angle of the infrared ray L20 from θ1 to θ2, the infrared ray L20 is first irradiated to the subject B11, and next to the subject B10. In this event, the return light incident angle detector 10D receives return light L21 from the subject B11 to detect an incident angle θBb, and next receives return light from the subject B10 to detect an incident angle θAb, as shown in Fig. 7. --